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TO ENDERS FROM KATZ

1. COMMODITY TOTALS FOR FY 1975 FOR TITLE I IN THOUSANDS
OF METRIC TONS ARE: WHEAT- 3203 AND RICE - 980. STATUS
IS AS FOLLOWS:

--	SIGNED AGREEMENTS	1657	619
--	PURCHASE AUTHORIZATIONS	1615.5	501.5
--	BOUGHT	1120.4	417
--	SHIPPED	732	368

2. PENDING WHEAT PROGRAMMING INCLUDES: JORDAN WILL SIGN
3/20 FOR 20;RI LANKA ON 3/25 FOR 138 AND HAITI FOR 15
LATER THIS WEEK. WE ARE PUSHING FOR AN INDIAN SIGNING OF
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800 ASAP BUT DATE NOT YET SET. ANOTHER MEETING IS BEING

HELD TODAY WITH INDIANS. WE EXPECT TO AUTHORIZE NEGOTIATIONS THIS WEEK FOR 113 FOR CHILE. PRESIDENTIAL DETERMINATION FOR 275 FOR EGYPT NOT YET SIGNED. SECRETARY TODAY CABLED INSTRUCTIONS TO INCREASE EGYPT BY 25 FOR TOTAL PROGRAM THERE OF 600. WILL KEEP YOU ADVISED. RE RICE, WE ARE QUERYING BANGLADESH AND SRI LANKA ON POSSIBLE ADDITIONAL NEEDS. CONCLUSION OF THESE AGREEMENTS WOULD BRING TOTAL COMMITMENT OF WHEAT TO 3043 AND OF RICE TO 869.

3. FIRM COMMITMENTS, NOT YET NEGOTIATED, COVER 70 RICE AND 10 WHEAT. WE ARE CARRYING 20 WHEAT AND 41 RICE IN RESERVE FOR CAMBODIA. WE ARE WORKING ON PROGRAMING REMAINING 150 WHEAT IN MSAS.

4. ON ISSUES DISCUSSED AT YOUR MEETING WITH USDA REPS LAST WEEK: TREASURY NO LONGER DELAYING CLEARANCES; USDA ISSUED PURCHASE AUTHORIZATIONS FOR REMAINING PAKISTAN WHEAT 300; FOR SYRIA WHEAT 75 AND RICE 25; AND FOR 62.5 RICE FOR KOREA. USDA CONTINUES BELIEVE IF MAJOR AGREEMENTS SIGNED BY END MARCH AS SCHEDULED ALL SHIPMENTS CAN BE MADE BY END FISCAL YEAR. INGERSOLL

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